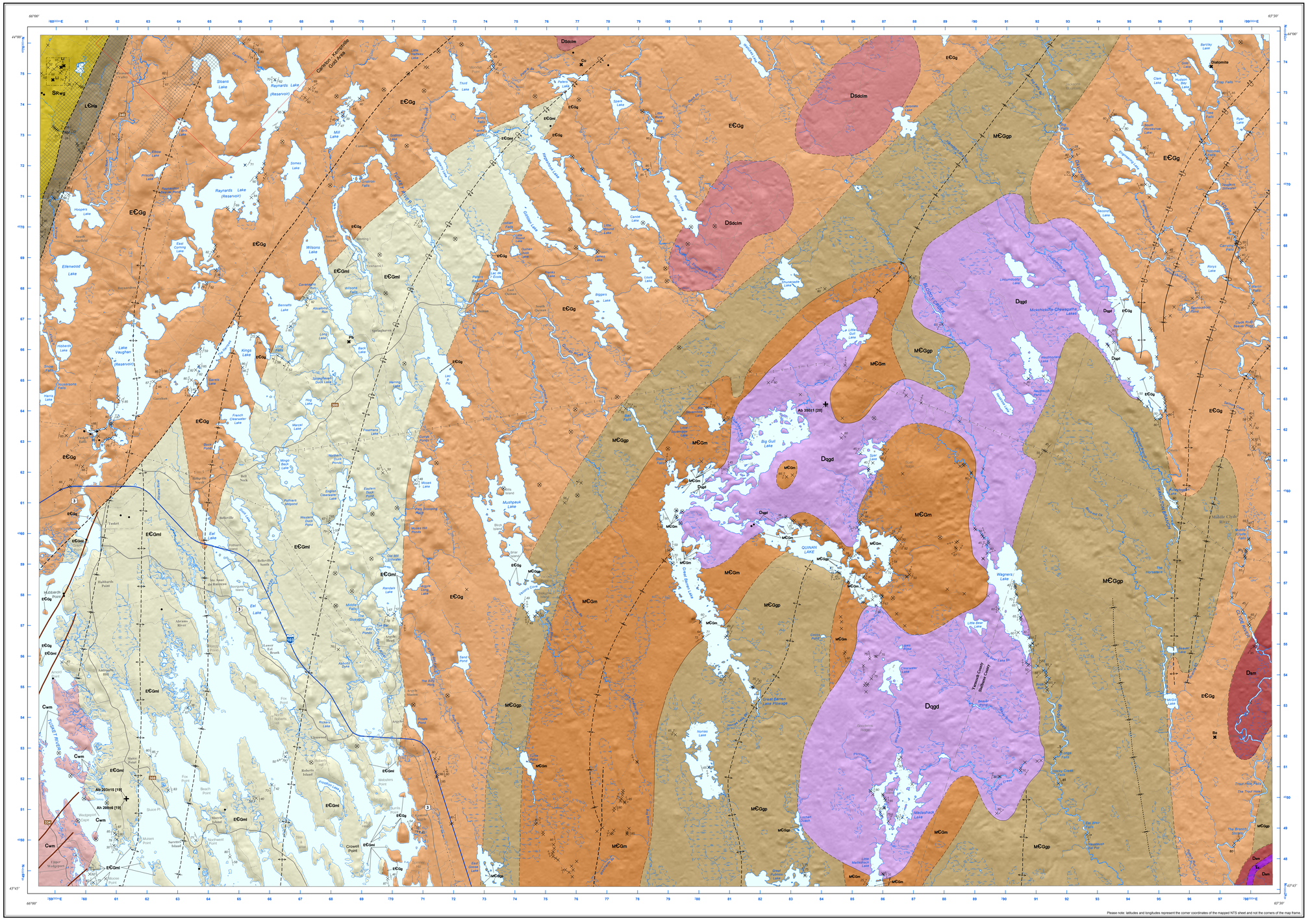

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LEGEND

MESOZOIC

LATE TRIASSIC

Ts — SHELBURNE DYKE (**Ts**): black to brown, fine- to coarse-grained gabbro

MIDDLE TO LATE TRIASSIC

WEDGEPORT DYKES (**Tw**): black to brown, fine- to medium-grained lamprophyre and alkaline olivine gabbro

PALEOZOIC

CARBONIFEROUS

TOURNAISIAN

Cwm — WEDGEPORT PLUTON (**Cwm**): pale grey, medium- to coarse-grained, equigranular to porphyritic biotite monzogranite to syenogranite; garnet locally present; fine- to medium-grained, biotite-rich, round granodioritic enclaves common; cut by lamprophyre and alkaline olivine gabbro dykes

LATE DEVONIAN

Dsm — SHELBURNE PLUTON (and related plutons)(**Dsm**): pale grey, moderately foliated, medium-grained biotite-muscovite monzogranite; abundant aplite and pegmatite dykes

Dgd — QUINAN PLUTON (**Dgd**): grey, medium-grained, foliated to equigranular biotite granodiorite to tonalite; locally porphyritic; abundant aplite and pegmatite dykes

SOUTH MOUNTAIN BATHOLITH (listed in order of increasing mafic mineral content; modified after MacDonald, 1994)

Dsdclm — DAVIS LAKE LEUCOMONZOGRANITE (**Dsdclm**): buff, orange, white, pink; predominantly medium- to coarse-grained, minor fine-grained; megacrystic or seriate leucomonzogranite; metasedimentary xenoliths rare

LATE ORDOVICIAN TO EARLY DEVONIAN

ROCKVILLE NOTCH GROUP

WHITE ROCK FORMATION

SRwg — GOVERNMENT BROOK MEMBER (**SRwg**): grey, biotite (+/- garnet and staurolite)-bearing slate, phyllite, schist and metasandstone interlayered with green mafic to intermediate lithic metatuff and tuffaceous metasandstone and amphibolite; rare quartzite

EARLY CAMBRIAN TO EARLY ORDOVICIAN

HALIFAX GROUP

LЄHa — *ACADIA BROOK FORMATION* (**LЄHa**): grey to dark grey, laminated slate with minor, thin beds and lenses of light grey metasiltstone; medium-bedded, cross-laminated, fine- to medium-grained metasandstone; sulphide minerals common; minor mafic sills

GOLDENVILLE GROUP

MЄGm — *MOSHERS ISLAND FORMATION* (**MЄGm**): green to greenish-grey to grey, well-laminated metasiltstone to slate; minor, very thin- to thin-bedded, fine-grained metasandstone; abundant manganiferous nodules, laminations and coticules

MЄGgp — *GOVERNMENT POINT FORMATION* (**MЄGgp**): grey, thin- to thick-bedded metasandstone with minor calc-silicate nodules and rare manganese nodules; laminated, green to greyish-green to purple metasiltstone and rare black slate; trace fossils common

EЄGg — *GREEN HARBOUR FORMATION* (**EЄGg**): grey, thick-bedded, medium-grained metasandstone with minor calc-silicate nodules; minor green, cleaved metasiltstone and slate; rare trace fossils

EЄGml — *MOSES LAKE FORMATION* (**EЄGml**): grey, thin- to medium-bedded, fine- to medium-grained metasandstone with minor calc-silicate nodules interlayered with sulphide-bearing, magnetic slate; minor green, cleaved metasiltstone

SHEAR ZONE

Symbols*

- Outcrop, Float, Felsenmeer
- Quarry (operating, abandoned)
- Mine (abandoned)
- Shaft
- Fossil
- Drillhole (after Fisher, 2006)
- Mineral occurrence (modified after O'Reilly et al., 2009)
  (Ag - silver, As - arsenic, Au - gold, Be - beryllium, Bi - bismuth, Co - cobalt, Cu - copper, F - fluorine, Fe - iron, Li - lithium, Mo - molybdenum, Pb - lead, Sb - antimony, Si - silicon, Sn - tin, U - uranium, V - vanadium, W - tungsten, Zn - zinc)
- Radiometric date (Ma) [reference]**
  - U-Pb (z - zircon, m - monazite, dz - detrital zircon, zm - zircon monazite, t - titanite, wr - whole rock)
  - $^{40}Ar/^{39}Ar$ (b - biotite, h - hornblende, m - muscovite, p - phlogopite, wr - whole rock)
  - $^{207}Pb/^{206}Pb$ (wr - whole rock)
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- Cleavage; first generation (inclined, vertical)
- Cleavage; second generation (inclined, vertical)
- Kink band; first generation, inclined (sinistral)
- Geological contact (assumed, approximate, defined)
- Fault (assumed, approximate, defined)
- Anticline (assumed, approximate, defined)
- Overturned anticline (approximate, defined)
- Syncline (assumed, approximate, defined)
- Overturned syncline (approximate)
- Shear zone
- Historical gold district (after Fisher, unpublished)
- Area of concentrated drilling
- Rock in water
- Arterial highway
- Trunk highway
- Collector highway
- Hard surface road
- Loose surface/resource access road
- Trail, footpath, cart track
- Railway (active, inactive)
- Coastline
- River, stream
- County boundary
- Transmission line (multi, single line)
- National Park
- Wetlands
- Lake/ocean

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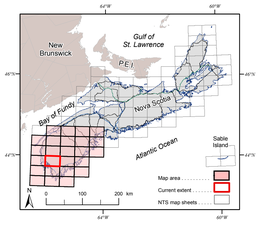

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In 1998 the Nova Scotia Department of Natural Resources initiated a program of geological mapping of the Meguma Terrane of southwestern Nova Scotia. The principal goals of this project are to produce a series of 1:50 000 scale geological bedrock maps of the area, to describe and interpret the sedimentary, igneous, metamorphic and deformational history of the Cambrian to Early Devonian metamorphic rocks, and to evaluate the area's economic potential. This map represents the sixteenth in a series of 25 maps highlighting the bedrock geology of southwestern Nova Scotia.

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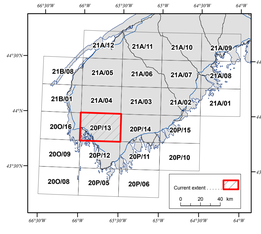

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